For the Northern District of California

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DAVID MARSHALL GATES,) No. C 09-05408 JW (PR)
Plaintiff, vs.	ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH LEAVE TO AMEND; GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMPLETE IN FORMA PAUPERIS APPLICATION
WARDEN, et al.,	<i>)</i>)
Defendants.	ý))

On November 17, 2009, plaintiff filed a letter with this Court which opened this action. On the same day, the clerk of the Court sent a notification to plaintiff that he must submit a complaint within thirty days or face dismissal of the action. (Docket No. 2.) On December 7, 2009, plaintiff filed a signed copy of this court's form complaint, (Docket No. 5), but the complaint is deficient because plaintiff failed to identify defendants, make a statement of his claims, and state the specific relief desired. (See Compl. at 2-3.) Accordingly, this Court has no choice but to dismiss the complaint with leave to amend.

The clerk also sent a notice to plaintiff directing him to either pay the filing fee or file an In Forma Pauperis Application within thirty days or face dismissal. (Docket No. 3.) The notice included a copy of this court's <u>In Forma Pauperis</u>

Application and a return envelope. (<u>Id.</u>) On December 7, 2009, plaintiff filed a
motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis using the proper form. (Docket No.
11.) However, the application is insufficient because plaintiff did not complete the
form nor submit a Certificate of Funds in Prisoner's Account completed and signed
by an authorized officer at the prison and a copy of his prisoner trust account
statement showing transactions for the last six months. (Docket No. 5.) In the
interest of justice, the Court will extend the time for plaintiff to file a complete in
forma pauperis application.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the Court orders as follows:

1. The complaint is DISMISSED with leave to amend. Within **thirty** (30) days of the date this order is filed, plaintiff shall file an amended complaint. The amended complaint must include the caption and civil case number used in this order and the words "AMENDED COMPLAINT" on the first page and write in the case number for this action, Case No. C 09-05408 JW (PR).

Plaintiff is advised that to state a claim under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, a plaintiff must allege that a person acting under the color of state law committed a violation of a right secured by the Constitution or laws of the United States. West v. Atkins, 487 U.S. 42, 48 (1988). Plaintiff must identify defendants by name and state how each individual defendant violated a specific federal right.

2. Plaintiff is granted an extension of time to file a complete <u>in forma</u> pauperis application. Plaintiff must submit the completed application along with the necessary documents **within thirty (30) days** from the date this order is filed.

Failure to respond in accordance with this order by filing an amended complaint *and* a complete <u>in forma pauperis</u> application will result in dismissal of this case without prejudice and without further notice to plaintiff.

The Clerk shall include two copies of the court's complaint and two copies o
the court's In Forma Pauperis Application with a copy of this order to plaintiff.

DATED: March 30, 2010

AMES WARE Inited States District Judge

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify Court, Northern District of Califo	that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District
That on 3/31/2010 attached, by placing said copy(ies hereinafter listed, by depositing sa an inter-office delivery receptacle	, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) aid envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into a located in the Clerk's office.
David Marshall Gates J-60908 Atascadero State Hospital P. O. Box 7001 Atascadero, CA 93423	
Dated:3/31/2010	Richard W. Wieking, Clerk /s/ By: Elizabeth Garcia, Deputy Clerk